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**Note:** New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, all vendors must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-308

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: April 23, 2008

Dehydrated Potatoes, Announcement FV-308, Invitation 024

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell dehydrated potatoes as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in needy family and related domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, **Wednesday, May 7, 2008**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, May 21, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from July 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Dehydrated Potatoes, Flakes	12/1 lb	20,000 cases
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**No offer will be made to the 8(a) vendors on this invitation.**

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring the special markings will be indicated by (\*\*). This applies to New York orders "Only", if and when they appear on an invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: <http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes> which translates into a connection of <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?> Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



**Bidders are cautioned to bid only on quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract.** Inquiries about Announcement FV-308, Appendix-1, and the Commodity Specification for Dehydrated Potatoes dated May 2004, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

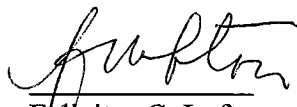
Purchases will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-308, to the listed locations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

**Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (\*).**

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV308  
 INVITATION : 024  
 COMM GROUP : 37 VEGETABLES, DEHYDRATED  
 COMM TYPE : 10 POTATOES, FLAKES, DEHYDRATED  
 PACK SIZE : 10 12/1 LB PACKAGE

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)
DELIVERY PERIOD 07/01/08 - 07/15/08					
001	ELMIRA	MI	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 07/16/08 - 07/31/08					
002	BIRMINGHAM	AL	TRUCK ONLY	1,810	_____
	MONTGOMERY	AL	TRUCK ONLY	690	_____
003	HUNTSVILLE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	933	_____
	MONTGOMERY	AL	TRUCK ONLY	672	_____
	THEODORE	AL	TRUCK ONLY	895	_____
004	ELMIRA	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,580	_____
	FLINT	MI	TRUCK ONLY	920	_____
005	SACRAMENTO	CA	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 08/01/08 - 08/15/08					
006	HOUSTON	TX	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
007	ODESSA	TX	TRUCK ONLY	2,500	_____
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/08 - 09/30/08					
008	JONESBORO	AR	TRUCK ONLY	500	_____
	LITTLE ROCK	AR	TRUCK ONLY	1,750	_____
	RUSSELLVILLE	AR	TRUCK ONLY	250	_____
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE				20,000	
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				20,000	

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